



# Weekly Newsletter

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## This week's focus: Camborne Music Festival



On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November, our choir went to **Camborne music Festival**. This was the first time the school had entered the competition. Our school had to go against another two schools, Polwhele House and St. Buryan. Our school went up first and battled the fight of glory, by singing 'Kum-ba-yah' and, 'Come on Christmas' (even though it's only November). Emily introduced us at the start and Alice and Henry also did a solo and duet; we looked really smart.

After us were Polwhele House school. They sang a very difficult song with lots of harmonies - they were also very good. Then last but not least St. Buryan. They sang 'Donner' and, 'Cha cha choo choo'. At the end we found our result we got 86 for the first song and we got 85 for the second one so the total was 171, Polwhele got 173 points and St. Buryan got 174. At the end Alice got to shake hands with the judge, even though we lost, we did really well. Thank you very much to Mrs Holmes and Mrs O Connell for giving up their free time every week to help us get better. **Report by Alice Fletcher and Alessia Wu.**

## Penponds Christmas Lights



The Penponds village Christmas tree will be put up in the square in the morning of Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December. If anyone has access to a cherry picker or something similar to help put the lights on the tree that would be greatly appreciated. Please email Mrs Wood at [secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk) if you are able to help.

## Dates for your diary:

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Christmas Tree Festival at Camborne Parish Church – 5pm

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Penponds Church Christmas Fayre – 0930-12pm

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec** – Parent Free Zone (Christmas Present service for children)

**Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Active Maths parent information evening – 3.30pm- 4pm

**Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec** – Christmas Tree decorating assembly – 09.15am

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Flu vaccination – Reception, Y1,2,3 +4 children

**Thu 7<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Santa Fun Run – Rainbow MAT

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec** Carol Concert at Wesley Chapel 6pm for 6.30pm start

**Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec - am** Penponds Village Christmas tree being decorated in the square

**Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec** Penponds Village Nativity, start time 4pm

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Dec** – VIP visitor to Penponds School

**Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Dec and Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Carn Brea and Godolphin Class Christmas Nativity – 6pm start

**Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** – School Christmas Lunch



**Save the date!** The official switch on of the Penponds lights will be on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 1830**. Please come along and support this local event.

### Rugby v St Meriadoc School



On Thursday evening three of our sports teams were in action. The Year 3/4 rugby team travelled to St Meriadoc Junior school to play their first game of the year. Lilly, Harvey, Mylo, Harrison, Alex, Morley and Vincent have been training hard at rugby club and took the game to St Meriadoc. There were tries from Vincent, Harrison and Harvey as well as good running and defending from all the team. It was a very close game

which finished 5 tries to St Meriadoc and 4 tries to Penponds. We had several tries disallowed as in tag rugby you have to stay on your feet to score whilst many of the team play contact rugby for Camborne RFC where you're allowed to slide along the floor! Rugby club runs on Monday evening's with Mr Richards and Mr Harris, Brody's dad.

### Amazing homework!



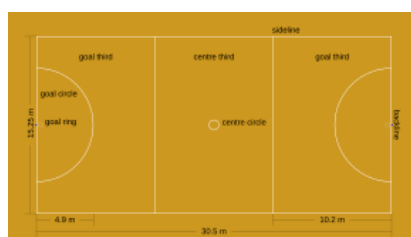
Our school is filling up with fantastic topic homework from the children. Thank you for all your support. Check out James Kilpin's amazing scale model of Brunel's



Albert bridge – it looks just like the real thing!

### Netball v Weeth School

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November, the netball team had a friendly match against Weeth. It was actually quite a surprise because we didn't know anything about our match! Our players were Evie, Megan, Emily, Alessia, Sophie (who played on Weeth's Team), Hollie, Ellie, Alice and Gina. Our positions were, Evie as GS then C, Megan as WD then WA,



**Thu 14th Dec** – Family Lantern making morning

**Fri 15th Dec** –

Christmassy Christmas Show with Squashbox theatre – 9.30am start

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Penponds village official Christmas tree light switch on: 1830

**Tue 19th Dec** –

Christingle assembly – 14.50pm start

**Tues 19th Dec**

Camborne Lantern Parade

**Wed 20th Dec** – Last day of term. School finishes at 3.30pm

### This week's awards:

**Top Table:** Mia, Olivia, Terry, Ryan

### Class Awards:

**Carn Brea** – Annabelle, Toby, Ethan, William

**Godolphin** –

**YR1** – Isla B, Ava, Janise, Minnie

**YR2** – Jasmine, Zabe, Jayden, Gwyddion

**Trencrom** – Jayden, Ellena, Alex K, Eloise

**Tregonning** – Evan, Fleur, Heidi, Alfie

**Headteacher Award** –

Ellena, Sophie L, Freya D, Annabelle G, Jasmine H, Maisy B, Maddy, Lemmy

**Prefect Award** – Ellie S, Kaira

### Attendance:

Carn Brea: 92.94%

Godolphin:

Y1 – 98.16%

YR2 – 98.12%

Trencrom: 98.52%

Tregonning: 98.52%

### Attendance Trophy:

Trencrom and Tregonning

Emily as C then GA, Alessia was WA then GS, Gina was GA then WD, Alice was GD for the whole match and Hollie and Ellie took turns playing GK. At the end of the match the scores were 5-0 to Weeth. The player of the match is Sophie – she volunteered to play for Weeth as they were one player short!

**By Evie and Megan**

### Football v Kehelland School

The football team went to Kehelland school on Thursday evening. It was a hard match but the score was 8-0 to us. Evan scored 6 (because one got disallowed), Eddy scored 1, and Jake scored 1. We got 3 free kicks for various infringements. After the match we got biscuits and lemon squash which was great sportsmanship from the opposition. Soon after when some people went back to school it was DARK and I mean DARK. The player of the match was Eddy, because he scored his first ever school football team goal, we think. **Report by Cadan Billing.**



### Quote of the week:

Truly wonderful the mind of a child is. **YODA**

### Active Learn – maths homework



Years 2

to 6 have all now been set up on

[www.activelearnprimary.co.uk](http://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk) for maths

homework. Your child can show you how to log in:

**Username:** first 4 letters of first name followed by first 4 letters of surname

**Password:** changeme

**School code:** hk9w

The games, videos and activities that are set by the teachers each week tie into the maths learning in school in a fun and interactive way. Most activities work on a tablet or laptop although some games require Flashplayer which limits use on an ipad. Feedback is sent directly to the teachers and the children earn rewards which they can use to customise their area. There is also a brilliant explanation of how maths is taught in school at: <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/grown-ups?c=parent>. We have an Active Learn trainer coming to school on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 3.30 to 4pm** to go over key features of the homework and answer any questions you have. Children will be welcome to listen in or go to after school club for free for the duration of the training. If you are able to please come along. Active Learn will be introduced to Year 1 after Christmas.

### Polytunnel request



We plan to continue with the Polytunnel on Sunday morning from 0830. If you able to help, we require:

- 2 people handy with an electric drill to build the two wooden doors at either end. (please bring your own drill/electric screwdriver)
- 1 person to, 'dig in' various supports for the doors (please bring your own pick and shovel)
- 2 people to finish off the internal tubular shelf (please bring your own socket set/adjustable spanners)
- A team of people able to fit the plastic covering to the poly tunnel (please bring a sense of humour!)



### **Polite request – car parking**



Please do not park on the yellow hatched lines in the car park. They are there to keep children safe when entering or leaving the school through the gate. Similarly please do not park in the disabled bays or on the Zig Zagged lines in-front of the school – they are for emergency vehicle access. Thank you for your consideration.



## CALLING ALL ANGELS AND WISE MEN

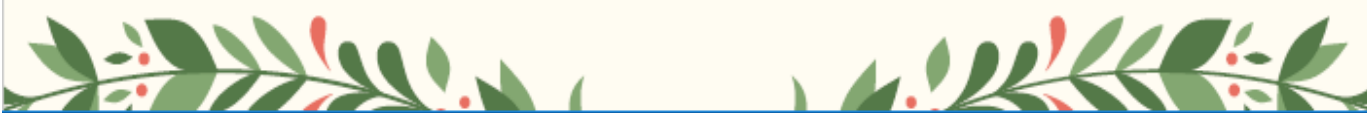
The third annual Penponds village nativity will take place on Sunday December 10th

Any children welcome to take part. You do not have to live in the village. There are no lines to learn and it is all great fun. There will be one short meeting beforehand to discuss what we are going to do and then the event in the afternoon of Sunday 10th December.

All ages, all children. Come and take part.

Please email us on [flashmankitsonk@parnalls.com](mailto:flashmankitsonk@parnalls.com) or text on 07852913464 with your contact details and child's name.

Let's make it the best ever!  
Minnie and Katie Kitson



## **PENPONDS NATIVITY**

Dear All,

We hold an annual nativity in Penponds. This year it will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December from 4pm in the Square.

Everyone is invited whether you live in Penponds or not.

Everyone can take part.

Would your child like to be part of the nativity? All girls play Angels and all boys play Wise Men. There are no lines to learn and the whole thing is kept very simple and is like a living pageant as opposed to a performance. It is great if boys can dress up as Wise Men and girls can dress up as Angels but if they don't want to that's ok too.

Adults are also invited to take part. All adults are Shepherds and you are invited to wear/bring a tea towel and place it on your head as a form of costume.

Everyone meets in the Square at 4pm on the date above and part of the pageant takes place there, we then process up the road towards the Church and the rest of the pageant takes place in the Church.

Family and friends are welcome but everyone is invited to participate.

We ask everyone to bring a wrapped present labelled as to whether it is for a boy or girl and rough age range or indeed adult male or female. During the pageant the Wise Men will collect the presents and these will be distributed to the less fortunate after the service.

Refreshments are also served after the service for all.

If your children would like to be part of the Angels/Wise Men please let me have your contact details with child's name and age. An email address is preferable so we can distribute information efficiently.

You are welcome to attend even if your child does not want to take part.

Please contact Katherine Kitson on 07852913464 or [flashmankitsonk@parnalls.com](mailto:flashmankitsonk@parnalls.com) if your children would like to be part of this.

Thank you

# Christmas Fayre



In Penponds Church

**Saturday November 25<sup>th</sup> 9.30 -12.00**

Cake stall, Tombola, Gifts, Raffle

Tea, coffee, cake & mince pies

**2 competitions:**

Best dressed Santa's helper

Best dressed small Christmas tree (no lights please!)



**Come and join us – all welcome!**



Coastline  
housing



It's  
**Christmas**



Thursday 14th December 2017  
1.30-5.00pm

Come along to our free   
Christmas event at Heartlands  
Dudnace Lane, Pool, TR15 3QY  
Lots of Christmas fun for everyone!

Meet Santa & receive a gift

Meet your housing provider Crafts

2nd chance street games

2 real reindeers  
(visiting from 2pm-4pm)  
& more...





**Free  
course**

# **Incredible Years Parenting Programme 3 - 6 years.**

**Do you need support and advice on  
managing children's behaviour?**

**Sessions include:**

- Difficult behaviour
- Promoting self esteem
- Developing routines
- Play
- Positive parenting
- Praise and rewards



**12:00 – 14:00**

**Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> January – 26<sup>th</sup> March  
(Excluding Half Term)**

**Helston Children's Centre  
Bulwark Road, Helston, TR13 8JF**

**For more details and request form please contact:**

**Early Help Hub 01872 322277**

**[earlyhelphub@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:earlyhelphub@cornwall.gov.uk)**

**[www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelphub](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelphub)**



## Early Help At Children Centres



# Passionate About Parenting

Ever wondered why your child  
behaves a certain way?

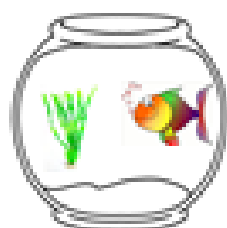
Feel alone?

Not sure who can  
help?

Are you thinking  
that something  
needs to change?

Come along to our free One Day Parenting Workshop to learn some new skills on how to manage difficult behaviour and improve you and your child's relationship at home.

Our next workshop is below, please call soon as places are limited.



**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017**  
**Troon Children Centre**  
**Camborne**  
**09:30 – 14:30**

Please call Myra Whitney to book a place or for more information – 01209 310000